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In re Reissue Application of

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Gervais DIONNE et al.

Group Art Unit:

Original U.S. Patent No. 5,538,975

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For: 1,3-OXATHIOLANE NUCLEOSIDE ANALOGUES AND METHODS FOR
USING SAME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

The undersigned inventors of the subject matter of the claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,538,975 and of the subject matter of the claims as proposed herein for reissue, being duly warned, declare as follows:

The undersigned inventors of the subject matter of the claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,538,975 and of the subject matter of the claims as proposed herein for reissue, believe their original patent U.S. Patent No. 5,538,975 to be wholly or partly inoperative by reason of the patentees claiming less than they had a right to claim in the patent. Specifically, there is an error in that the patent does not contain claims of intermediate scope, i.e., narrower in scope than at least one claim of the issued patent. Also, there is an error in that the inventive entity is incorrectly indicated as Gervais Dionne and should instead be Gervais Dionne, Bernard Belleau, Nghe Nguyen-Ba, and Boulos Zacharie. Further, there is an error in that the patent does not include a claim to priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to co-pending application Serial No. 07/564,160, filed August 8, 1990.

All errors sought for correction by this reissue application up to the filing of this reissue oath arose without any deceptive intention on the part of Applicants.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims, as amended in the attached reissue application.

We believe the named inventors to be the original and first inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to the Applicants to be material to patentability as defined by 37 C.F.R. §1.56

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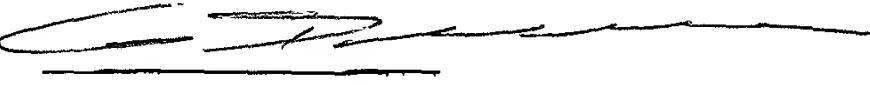
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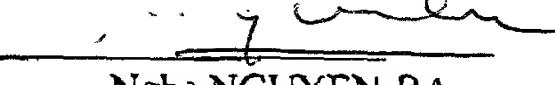
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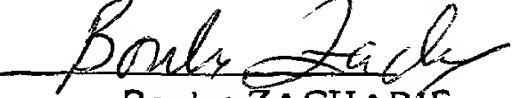
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